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PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Giampaolo MAZZONETTO and
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Serial no. :
For : DEVICE FOR THE OPTIMIZATION OF
HYDRAULICALLY CONTROLLED
ENGAGEMENT OF CLUTCHES USED IN
MARINE TRANSMISSIONS
Docket : ZAHFRI P736US

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The Commissioner for Patents
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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

By way of preliminary amendment, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

In the Specification:

Please add paragraphs 002, 003, 005, 018, 021 and 030 and amend paragraph 022 of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-4, as well as any Chapter II amended claims, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claims 5-8 as follows.